Amount spent by farmers' families

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SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that huge gap has been found in the amount to be spent by the families of farmers in various States of the country for their subsistence;

(b) if so, the estimated amount of per capita monthly expenditure of the families of farmers in each State;

(c) whether it is also a fact that this amount of expenditure is also related to the income of families of farmers; and

(d) if not, the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M.V. RAJASEKHARAN): (a) and (b) According to the results of the Situation Assessment Survey of Farmers conducted by National Sample Survey Organisation (59th Round, January-December 2003), compiled in the Report No. 495, it is observed that there are variations in the average monthly per capita consumption expenditure. The average monthly per capita consumption expenditure is the highest by the farmers of Kerala at Rs. 900.59 and the lowest in the case of the farmers of Orissa at Rs. 341.75. State-wise details of the average monthly per capita consumption expenditure of farmers in different States in 2003 are given at the enclosed Statement (*See* below).

(c) and (d) The NSSO does not collect data on incomes, and hence no statement can be made regarding the relationship between consumption expenditures and income of the farmers across the States.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Statement

Average Monthly Per Capita Consumption Expenditure of Farmers in Different States-2003

Sl.No.	Name of the State	Consumption. Expenditure (in Rupees)
1.	Andhra Pradesh	512.56
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	582.65
3.	Assam	479.42
4.	Bihar	403.60
5.	Chhattisgarh	378.89
6.	Gujarat	562.86
7.	Haryana	741.10
8.	Himachal Pradesh	708.47
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	711.82
10.	Jharkhand	352.85
11.	Karnataka	491.19
12.	Kerala	900.59
13.	Madhya Pradesh	406.30
14.	Maharashtra	524.12
15.	Manipur	592.27
16.	Meghalaya	592.73
17.	Mizoram	656.60
18.	Nagaland	882.91
19.	Orissa	341.75
20.	Punjab	828.01
21.	Rajasthan	557.45
22.	Sikkim	548.02
23.	Tamil Nadu	572.81
24.	Tripura	561.89
25.	Uttar Pradesh	474.89
26.	Uttaranchal	566.60
27.	West Bengal	507.74
28.	Group of UTs	658.50
	ALL INDIA	502.83

Source: Consumption Expenditure of Farmer Households, NSS 59th round (January-December-2003), Report No. 495 (59/33/4), National Sample Survey Organisation, Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation, Government of India.